

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## HB 2656

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As Reported By Senate Committee On:  
Labor, Commerce, Research & Development, February 21, 2008

**Title:** An act relating to correcting statutory references in the calculation of predecessor and successor employer contribution rates.

**Brief Description:** Correcting statutory references in the calculation of predecessor and successor employer contribution rates.

**Sponsors:** Representatives Conway, Green and Wood; by request of Employment Security Department.

**Brief History:** Passed House: 2/07/08, 95-0.

**Committee Activity:** Labor, Commerce, Research & Development: 2/21/08 [DP].

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

**Majority Report:** Do pass.

Signed by Senators Kohl-Welles, Chair; Keiser, Vice Chair; Holmquist, Ranking Minority Member; Franklin, Hewitt, King, Murray and Prentice.

**Staff:** Mac Nicholson (786-7445)

**Background:** In 2007 the Legislature amended provisions of the unemployment compensation statutes establishing contribution rates for new employers. In certain circumstances, the contribution rate for successor employers is calculated using the same process established for new employers. However, references to the new employer contribution rate statutes in the successor employer statutes were not amended by the 2007 legislation, resulting in incorrect references.

**Summary of Bill:** References in the successor employer statutes are corrected.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Available.

**Committee/Commission/Task Force Created:** No.

**Effective Date:** Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

**Staff Summary of Public Testimony:** None.

**Persons Testifying:** No one.

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